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SUBJECT: W/W BURTON BEBCHICK

1. WASHINGTON ATTORNEY LEONARD BEBCHICK HAS CONTACTED DEPT RE SUBJECT (PDOB MASSACHUSETTS, JULY 29, 1939), HIS BROTHER, WHO IS BELIEVED TO HAVE INITIALLY APPLIED FOR SOVIET VISA IN ZURICH AND NOW FOLLOWING UP VISA REQUEST WITH SOVIET EMBASSY IN VIENNA. SUBJECT'S EXACT WHEREABOUTS AT THIS TIME ARE UNKNOWN.

2. BEBCHICK STATES THAT HE AND PARENTS BELIEVE SUBJECT MENTALLY ILL WITH SEVERE PARANOIA WHICH LIKELY RESULT IN DIFFICULTIES WITH SOVIET AUTHORITIES IF HE PERMITTED TRAVEL TO SOVIET UNION EITHER AS VISITOR OR TO RESIDE. FOR THIS REASON THEY HAVE REQUESTED THAT POSTS INFORM SOVIETS OF THIS SITUATION AND OF PARENTS' WISH TO HAVE VISA DENIED.

3. ACCORDING TO ATTORNEY BEBCHICK, SUBJECT FORMERLY EM-

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PLOYED AS ECONOMIST IN LABOR DEPT'S BUREAU OF LABOR

STATISTICS, BUT EMPLOYMENT TERMINATED FOR "ABANDONMENT".
"ILLNESS" RESULTED IN A 1972 MISDEMEANOR CHARGE IN VIRGINIA
FOR THREATENING WITH DEADLY WEAPON, WHICH CHARGE FAMILY
ARRANGED BE DROPPED. HAS BEEN IN EUROPE FOR PAST TWO
YEARS, MOST RECENTLY AUSTRIA WHERE HE HAD SOUGHT "POLITICAL
ASYLUM". SPENT WEEK IN PRAGUE LAST MONTH.

4. DEPT. HAS SEEN NO REPEAT NO CLINICAL EVIDENCE OF
SUBJECT'S ALLEGED PARANOIA. COPY OF LETTER TO PARENTS
EXHIBITED TO DEPARTMENT INDICATES HE FEELS CONSIDERABLE
TENSIONS.

5. NEITHER DEPT NOR FOREIGN SERVICE POST CAN INTERFERE
WITH OR SEEK TO RESTRICT THE RIGHTS OF AMERICA CITIZENS
TO TRAVEL FREELY ABROAD. SUBJECT'S BROTHER WAS ADVISED
THAT FAMILY'S REQUEST COULD NOT BE CARRIED OUT.

6. FYI: WHEN DEPARTMENT ADVISED SUBJECT'S BROTHER THAT
POSTS COULD NOT REPEAT NOT CONTACT SOVIETS RE: BROTHER
HE ASKED THAT THIS INFORMATION NOT BE GIVEN TO ADDRESSEES.
HOWEVER, DEPARTMENT BELIEVES THIS INFORMATION COULD BE
USEFUL TO POSTS IF, AS IS LIKELY, SUBJECT COMES TO
THEIR ATTENTION. SISCO

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